

House Resolution No. 2116

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have dedicated their time and energy to ensuring that today's students are provided with the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Dorothy Garrison has attained considerable distinction as a kindergarten teacher at Miles Davis Elementary School in East Saint Louis, Illinois, a vocational calling which she will bring to a close in May 2005 after thirty-eight years of service; and

Whereas, a former teacher at Jackson Elementary School in Waukegan, Illinois, and Park Elementary School in East Saint Louis, Dorothy Garrison prepared for her career as a teacher by attending Hill Chapel Elementary School in Van, Arkansas; Immanuel High School in Almyra, Arkansas; Arkansas A.M. & N., which is now known as the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff; Northern Illinois University; and Webster University; and

Whereas, Dorothy Garrison earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Arts degree with additional postgraduate studies; and

Whereas, Dorothy Garrison is the daughter of the late Alvin and Wilma Ransom, wife of the late Vernon B. Garrison, mother of Deborah Lynn and Vern D. Garrison, and grandmother of Brandon, Jordan, Tianica, and Vern, Jr.; and

Whereas, Dorothy Garrison is a member of Washington Metropolitan AME Zion Church and International Bible Study Fellowship; Eta Kappa Zeta Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; the Mamie Briggs Chapter #52 of the Missouri Jurisdiction of Order of Eastern Star; Medinah Court #15 of the Daughters of Isis; LaQueens and Friends Plus Social Clubs; and the National Alumni Association of the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff NAACP:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the career achievements garnered down through the years by educator Dorothy Garrison and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Dorothy Garrison.

Offered by _____
Representative Esther Haywood
District No. 71

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2116, adopted April 13, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker